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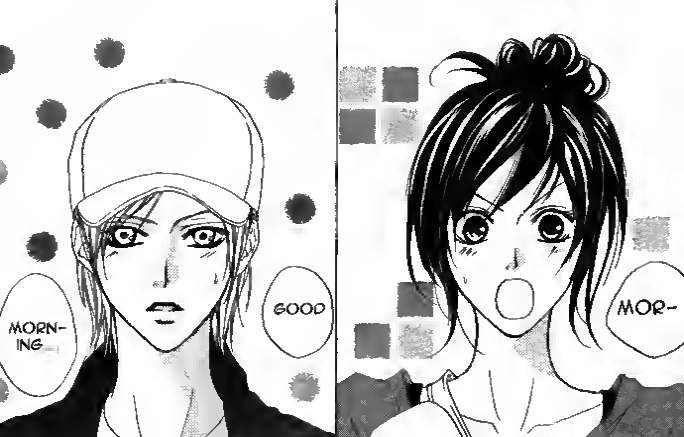

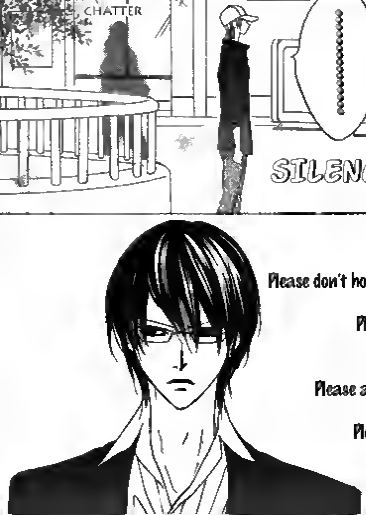

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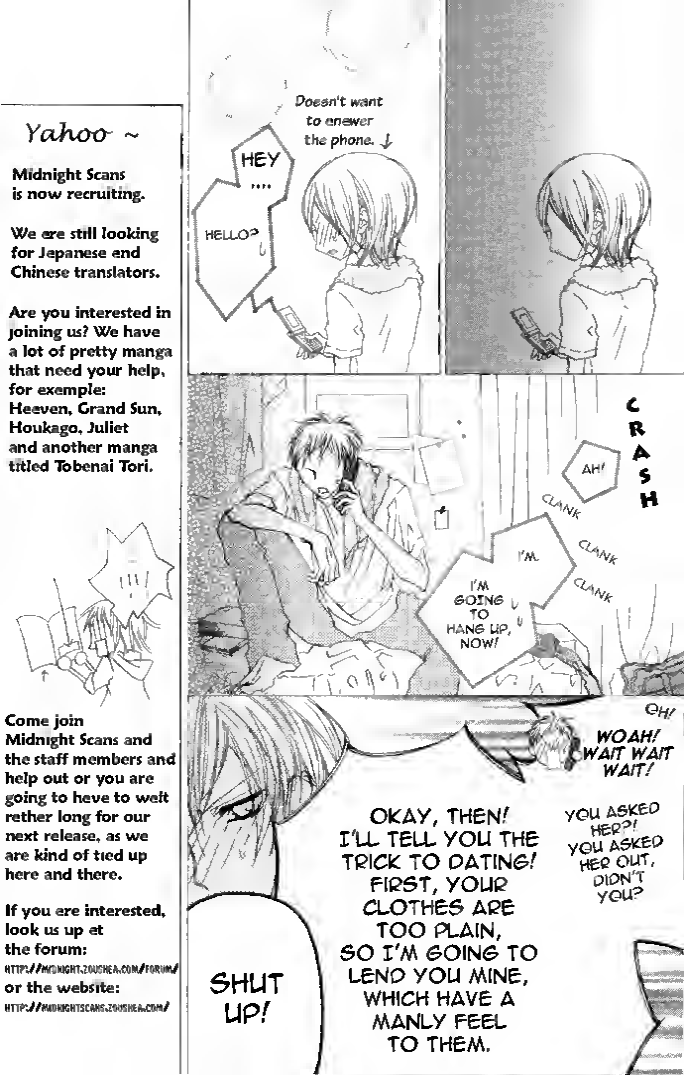
Thinking back to that day,
That day.
The incident that occurred ....
G...
GOOD BYE.
DON'T CATCH A COLD!
UMM
TAKAMI?
HUH?
TH- THIS SUNDAY,
LET'S GO OUT TOGETHER
OH, OKAY
WHERE TO?

I WANT YOU TO GO OUT ON A DATE WITH ME.
AHH
CALM DOWN, TAKAMI
YOU ARE ONLY GOING OUT TO EAT, RIGHT?
B-BUT, HE SAID IT WAS A DATE...!
WELL?

SENSEI WILL BE NICE AND GIVE YOU TIPS ON HOW TO FLIRT NOW, LISTEN CAREFULLY
EH?!
FIRST LET'S START WITH CLOTHES
I NEED TO TAKE NOTES
HEY WAIT A SECOND!
YOU SHOULD AT LEAST PREPARE YOURSELF TO RECEIVE A KISS
AND ALSO
WHAT?!
THEN
A DATE HMM?
YOU...
WHY AREN'T YOU SPEAKING?
ANSWER MY QUESTION...
SO, THEN WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN TAKAMI AND YOU?
WHY DO YOU WANT ME TO TELL YOU, WHEN I ALREADY DID? I DON'T REMEMBER GIVING YOU MY NUMBER
BUT THE TELEPHONE WAS MADE FOR CALLING OTHERS.
GOOD BYE.
EH, YOU'RE SERIOUS? HEY, W... WAIT A SECOND
TWITCH
YOU... DID YOU ASK HER OUT ON A DATE?!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Doesn't want to enewer the phone.
HEY ....
HELLO?
CRASH
AH!
CLANK
I'M
CLANK
I'M GOING TO HANG UP, NOW!
CLANK
OH!
WOAH! WAIT WAIT WAIT!
YOU ASKED HER?! YOU ASKED HER OUT, DIDN'T YOU?
OKAY, THEN! I'LL TELL YOU THE TRICK TO DATING! FIRST, YOUR CLOTHES ARE TOO PLAIN, SO I'M GOING TO LEND YOU MINE, WHICH HAVE A MANLY FEEL TO THEM.
SHUT UP!

BEEP
SIGH
I need to get ready, now!
OK!
BREATHS IN AND OUT
At last,
...the day finally arrived.
TH-THE WEATHER IS REALLY NICE, ISN'T IT?
A HA HA HA
IT IS THE WEATHER IS REALLY NICE
PHARMACY
SNEAKING
STOMP STOMP
STOMP STOMP
GOOD. THE BEGINNING OF THE DATE GOING SMOOTHLY
BETTER MAKE SURE NOT TO BE SEEN OR ELSE...
WHAT A COINCI-DENCE! RE YOU ALSO FOLLOWING THEM?
Talkoni will probably beat me up...
Stalking because she cares for

Whispering
NO NEED TO BE SO LOUD NOW. LET'S JUST KEEP WATCHING THEIR DATE.
OOA SEN-...?!
MPFH!
...
...seems to look a bit different...
..today Akira...
For some reason...
..from his usual self.
Kei's clothes
...
He seems more manly....
TAKAMI
WHAT IS IT?
STARTLED
YES?!
Well...
TODAY, YOU LOOK VERY ...

VERY
YOU LOOK VERY LIVELY TODAY!
Make up
(Mum helped her with these)
Hair
VERY
Dress
(Shunsuke picked these out for her)
Purse
Long socks
Flats
What?
LIVELY?
WHAT?
VERY CU-
THAT'S RIGHT
OH, TAKAMI
TODAY, I WANT TO TAKE YOU SOME-WHERE
OH! WHERE TO? WHERE TO?
AMAZED
THE PLACE IS CALLED, "FANCY LAND".
So going to these places can't be wrong!
Listen carefully girls like cute and romantic things.
Romantic
Date
Sports

FANGYLAND
FLUFF
FLUFF
SQUEAL
SQUEAL
FROZEN
T-K-MI.
I'M SORRY. THIS PLACE, WITH YOU, IT DOESN'T MAT-
AW- AWESOME ---!

THIS PLACE IS AMAZING! I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO COME HERE
SO THIS IS HOW IT IS! IT LOOKS GREAT!
Startled mew!
ISN'T IT CUTE?!
MYAA
THANK YOU, AZEGAMI
WAIT A MINUTE!
PUTS
ON
THEY'LL FIND OUT THAT...
ODA-SENSEI, IF YOU ARE WALKING AROUND SO OBVIOUSLY, YOU'LL BE SEEN!
WALK
WALK

DON'T BE SO UPTIGHT, KEI
WE ALREADY BLEND IN WITH THE CROWD, SO RELAX.
Let's go
WHISPER WHISPER
BUT, IT'S SO EMBARRASSING!
AKIRA, LET'S GO OVER THERE!
RUNS RUNS RUNS
AH, TAKAMI
WATCH OU-
THUD
OWW!
TAKAMI!
Oh!

ARE YOU OKAY, TAKAMI?
ALSO, PREPARE YOURSELF TO RECEIVE A KISS
YOU
BA-
DUMP
SOR...
Chatter Chatter
OH! OH!
GEEZ, SHINOBU-SENSEI, THAT BASTARD!
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
scoots away
SORRY
I...
I WASN'T LOOKING AHEAD OF ME

NOT GOOD ...
TA ...
TAKAMI, LET'S GO ON THAT RIDE.
EH?
OH, OKAY.
AH, THEY WERE SO CLOSE TO KISSING.
EH?!
I'M SO NERVOUS.
AH!
.....
NERVOUS
NERVOUS
THANK YOU.
HERE, TAKAMI!
Ice cream
I OVERREACTED ABOUT ALMOST KISSING.
TENSE ATMOSPHERE
Squish
IT LOOKS DELICIOUS
Sorry, Akira
It's okay
Faith

EXCUSE US
WE WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A PICTURE
OH, OKAY.
AH!
DO YOU WANT TO TAKE A PICTURE WITH OUR CUTE MASCOT?
TAKAMI, LET'S DO THAT.
Photo Club
OKAY!
PLEASE GO TO THE SWEETHEARTS BOOTH TO TAKE THE PICTURE TOGETHER
FOLLOW ME PLEASE
PLEASE HELP THEM, LITTLE RABBIT.
AH, MOVE CLOSER TOGETHER, PLEASE.
OKAY, SMILE!
I'M GOING TO TAKE THE PICTURE ON THREE. ONE, TWO, THREE!
GRAB
!?
!?
CLICK
SAY
FANCY♡
DATES...

POPS UP
THEN, I'LL GO AND MAKE A RESERVATION
IT'S PERFECT FOR DATES
AH!
EACH PERSON GETS ONE.
IS THIS HOW DATES ARE SUPPOSED TO BE LIKE?
EH?
OKAY, AKIRA!
IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR DINNER.
it seems
THAT THE ATMOSPHERE IS GETTING MORE AND MORE INTENSE
SILENCE
My expression looks weird.
HOW IS IT?
I HAVE A RESERVATION FOR US AT A RESTAURANT.
Mm...
Sorry it's not that close
IT'S NOT IN TOKYO SO WE HAVE TO CHANGE TRAINS
ALTHOUGH, I'VE NEVER BEEN THERE,
BUT...

ROYAL
Will we get there in time if we take a bus?
IT'S ...
FROZEN STIFF

THIS DOESN'T SEEM RIGHT, SHINOBU-SENSEI!!
Bonsoir (WELCOME!)
Vous avez reserve? (DO YOU HAVE A RESERVATION?)
Bon soir
WAIT A MINUTE, AH, UH, NO...!?
EH !?
IS THERE A JAPANESE WAITER ?
How did you make the reservation
IT LOOKS LIKE THAT THEY DON'T HAVE ANY.
AREN'T WE IN JAPAN?! WHY ARE THERE NO JAPANESE WAITERS?!
?
WHAT SHOULD I DO?!
APPOINT-MENT, APPOINT-MENT...
FROZEN
SHIN-OBU-SAN!
I... I...
I AM RESERVED
MISS HABARA, WE'RE SO GLAD THAT YOU CAME. WE'VE BEEN EXPECTING YOU.
PLEASE, COME THIS WAY.
LET'S GO, TAKAMI
j'ai réservé eu nom de Hebere. (WE ARE RESERVED UNDER THE NAME HABARA)

The food was all ordered by Akira.
Is it okay for me to eat it?
What is this?
Such high-class food.
GLANCE
HMM
WILL THEY KISS SOON?
I WANT TO GO HOME
SO
YOU CAN SPEAK FRENCH?
YES,
I'VE STUDIED IT BEFORE
I've also studied German.
SO THAT'S HOW IT IS
I can't speak either of them.
Eh, but doesn't Akira's dad speak German? Forget it, there's no point in knowing.
HE

AH.
IT'S NOTHING
WHAT?
TURNS
OH, WOULD YOU LIKE ANOTHER ENTRÉE BETTER?
BA-
-DUMP
HIS EXPRESSIONS EVEN MATCH THE FRENCH FOOD.
This kind of person completely brightens the restaurant
MUNCH MUNCH
EXACTLY HOW OLD ARE YOU
THAT'S RIGHT. TODAY.
I ALWAYS FEEL AWKWARD.
... THERE'S NOTHING WRONG.
IF THIS GOES ON, THEN AKIRA WILL...
CLINK
REALLY?
BLUSH
NO, IT'S NOT THAT...
UMM
IT'S JUST THAT
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
I WANT TO GO BACK TO WHEN I COULD LOOK AT HIM AND SPEAK TO HIM.

...THINK I'M A BORING PERSON.
AKIRA...
AKIRA WILL CERTAINLY ...
GETS UP
ABOUT TODAY, I'M SOR
SORRY, TAKAMI.
GASP
STEP
EH?

WE ARE SORRY TO LEAVE, BUT AN EMERGENCY HAS ARISEN
THE BILL, PLEASE
OF COURSE, SIR
EH?
AKIRA, WHAT'S WRONG?
Hey, stop! We'll be discovered!
JUST COME WITH ME.
EH? WHAT?

THANK YOU
...?
KAWACHI-SAN, IS THE PIANO BEING USED RIGHT NOW?
NO, PLEASE USE IT IF YOU LIKE.
Eh?
WHY IF IT ISN'T YOU TWO?
You guys look different today
HUH?
TING
CHATTER
CHATTER
CLANK
TING
WE'RE REALLY GOING TO BE FOUND OUT!
STOP!

CHATTER
CHATTER
...?
EH?
THAT BOY'S REALLY HANDSOME
IS HE GOING TO PLAY THE PIANO?
CHATTER

WOW, WHAT'S THE NAME OF THIS SONG?
TAP TAP TAP
IT'S REALLY GOOD! I LIKE IT!
UWAH!

THANK GOOD-NESS.
EH?
I...
DURING THE ENTIRE DATE,
WHAT IS IT?
THERE ARE SOME WEIRD JUDGMENT T- ME.
I WAS BUSY SHOWING YOU MY GOOD SIDE.
I MADE YOU FEEL BORED.
I DIDN'T FEEL BORED AT ALL.
OH AH, THANK YOU
THAT'S WHY
...SEEING YOUR SMILING FACE IS GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME.

IT'S REALLY GREAT.
SO ACTUALLY..
STEP
"I WAS BUSY SHOWING YOU MY GOOD SIDE."
AKIRA WAS ALSO...
SITS
RUSTLE
ACTUALLY, TODAY, I WAS ALSO REALLY NERVOUS.
I THOUGHT THAT I SHOULD CREATE A "DATE" FEELING.
RUSTLE
BUT...

I LIKE ACTING LIKE WE USUALLY DO MUCH BETTER.

SO THAT'S HOW IT IS ...
HUH?
AKIRA,
WHAT'S THE NAME OF THIS SONG?
WHAT DO YOU THINK IT IS?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT? COME ON JUST TELL ME
OKAY,
LET'S GO HOME, NOW.
EH? WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY, "SO THAT'S HOW IT IS"?
STEP
STEP
THE BOTH OF THEM...

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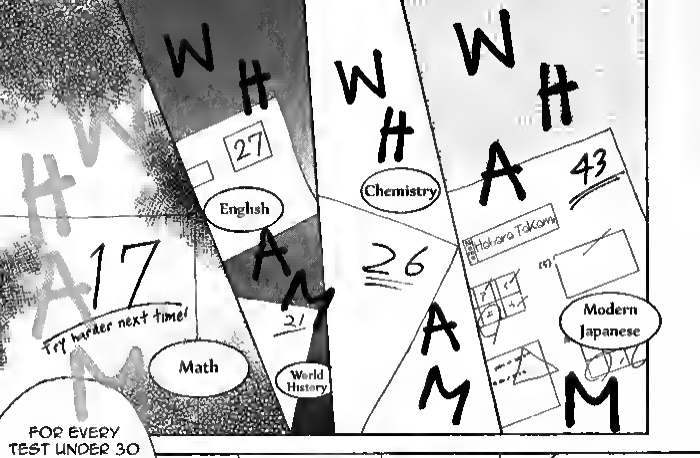

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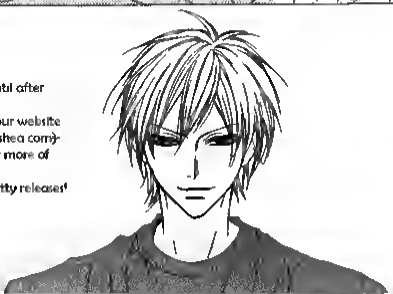

CLACK
If
that person...
FUCK!
Whoosh
...were to see my tests...
I'M BACK.
CRUSHES
Tot-tot-tups
HEY SHUU, HOW ARE YOU?
Slam
I GOT SOME THINGS FOR MOM
YEAH...
HERE.
THUMP
TAP TAP
TIP TOES
YOU'RE BACK, SHUU! IT'S BEEN SO LONG!!
DO YOU HAVE THE PEACHES?
WAH!
So it was just peaches
HAPPY
I WILL.
TAKAMI.
WOW~~~! IT LOOKS REALLY GOOD! SAY HI TO FUJI-SENSEI FOR ME.

.....
WHY ARE YOU SNEAKING AWAY?
Habara Family's Oldest Son
Habara Shuu(24)
High School Mathematics Teacher
Tokimeki Heart Beat
OKUSH
UMMM... I'M NOT.
IT ALWAYS LIKE THIS, YOUR GRADES ARE ALWAYS LOW ON TESTS.
You have to keep on trying.
Mathematics' Ability Test
2-A #33 Habara Takumi
17
26
My battle next time
IN ONE... ONE WEEK.
Umm... That... This...
WHEN IS THE MAKE-UP TEST?
SIL---ENCE
Kneeling

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IT LOOKS LIKE YOU NEED A TUTOR...
PUNCH
I DON'T REALLY NEED ONE
YOU HAVE TO MAKE AN 80 OR HIGHER ON EVERY SUBJECT.
AHA HA HA HA!
Do your best!
3rd Brother
I'LL GO GET SOME TEA FOR YOU
...
AHHH !!!!

SHUU IS REALLY MEAN
ISN'T IT YOUR FAULT FOR DOING BADLY ON THE TESTS?
WHY?
I... I WILL TRY, BUT.. I DON'T WANT TO THINK ABOUT IT...
REALLY? GOOD LUCK.
TODAY ...
WHEN IS SHUU GOING TO TUTOR YOU FOR THE MAKE-UP TESTS?
GAH
THAT'S... TRUE..
In winter,
my results were even worse
ALL YOUR GRADES ARE 2
Except P.E. how'd you get 3?
University Student
And
just before taking my exam for high school
Still a University Student
WHAT? YOU DIDN'T FINISH YOUR HOMEWORK.
During my summer holiday
the day before the last.
University Student
YOU HAVEN'T FINISHED WRITING.
Hum
Everyday, he's like a devil watching over me.
ETC...
YOU'RE GROUNDED
YOU HAVE TO STUDY FOR AT LEAST 5 HOURS EVERY DAY
YES
He won't let me go outside...
YES
THAT SIDE'S NOT RIGHT
I usually don't get enough sleep...

SO STRICT ...
I GUESS ...
HE'S REALLY A CARING BROTHER.
UMM...
I GUESS THAT'S TRUE.
He doesn't know when to give up
IF HE WASN'T SO STRICT, THEN WOULD YOU EVEN TRY?
UH.
UMM
WELL, THEN, THE TRIP TO THE NEW SWEET SHOP WILL HAVE TO BE POSTPONED, I GUESS.
GLANCE
AHH, THAT'S RIGHT, MAPLE CAFE!!
Must...
I MUST GO!!
WHEN YOU PASS YOUR MAKE-UP TESTS, WE'LL GO!
SMILE
He
WHAT

I have to try my best with the make-up tests, aso that I get to eat cake !!
Full of determination
GLARE
Okay..
When he smiles like that, I can't disagree..
I UNDER-STAND..
TRY YOUR BEST
IN OTHER WORDS,
TO FIND THE PATH OF P, YOU HAVE TO FIGURE OUT THE X AND Y COORDINATES OF POINT P..
YIKES!
POOOM
AH

EH?
HUH?
HERE SOME COCOA, TAKAMI
THANK YOU, SHIN!
3rd Brother - Shin
OKAY, NOW,
TRY TO SOLVE THIS ONE
AHH..
YES...!!
CLACK
Creak
HOW'S IT GOING?
HEY,
SHE'S BEEN LAZY IN HER STUDIES
SIGHS
AHH
WAKE UP
Aha ha IT'S ha! BECAUSE SHE'S ALWAYS PLAYING WITH AKIRA
SNORE
ZZZZ
Dizzy
SO GOOD!
Bu AHA HA
Sigh
YOU'RE WELCOME
ESCAPE
SHIN!

Shut up already!
TWITCH
He usually shows you how he normally feels
One
Two
DEFINITELY UNRELATED!!
AND THEN, YOU BOTH MET UP TO GO EAT CAKE IS THAT ALL UNRELATED?
LAST TIME YOU WENT TO FANCY LAND,
WELL, FOR EXAMPLE,
ISN'T AKIRA AND STUDYING UNRELATED?
HUH?!
Very sleepy
TWITCH
AKIRA..?
HEHEHE YOU DESERVE IT
HAHA
TWITCH
SO...
WHY? PLAYING PIANO AND MY RESULTS ARE TWO COMPLETELY DIFFERENT THINGS
HUH?
IF SASAKI'S THE REASON YOUR RESULTS ARE SO BAD,
I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO STOP YOU FROM PLAYING PIANO.
IF YOU CAN'T DO WELL IN THE MAKE-UP TEST,
...THIS IS THE REASON?

I'LL JUST HAVE TO STOP YOU GUYS FROM MEETING.
I HAVE TO GO NOW THESE ARE THE EXERCISES I WANT YOU TO DO
FINISH THEM BEFORE TOMORROW
TAP
HISTORY WORKBOOK P 20-23
ENGLISH WORKBOOK P 13-15
MATHEMATICS WORKBOOK P 15-18
CLACK
"Sasaki's fault"...?
HEY?

MIYA! TEACH ME SCIENCE AND HISTORY!
OKAY
BU KU KU
Miya→
Eme→
Hey~
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE ASKED ME TO HELP YOU WITH HOMEWORK.
EMA! TEACH ME ENGLISH!
I'LL TEACH YOU.
Kyoo
KITTLE
THANK YOU!!
THAT SIDE'S WRONG
TAKAMI IS DOING HER WORK IN A VERY ALARMING MANNER.
WHOOSH
It's the first time I've seen her like this.
WRITE
WRITE
Oh, this side's that and that side is supposed to be
WRITE
WRITE
WHAT
...
FLIP
Questions (Done)
Today's papers

SO THAT'S HOW IT IS...
HUH?
WHEN YOU'RE TRYING, YOU TIE YOUR HAIR UP.
WHEN YOU'RE NOT RELAXING, YOU CAN TRY HARDER.
I... IT'S RIGHT THAT I DO LIKE PLAYING,
BUT...
I CAN'T BRING MYSELF TO TRY WHEN I'M RELAXED
IT'S MY OWN FAULT THAT MY RESULTS ARE BAD.
SO
MAYBE,
IF YOU ACT LIKE THIS, NEXT TIME...
NO...

I HOPE YOU NEVER AGAIN...
...SAY...
...IT'S AKIRA'S FAULT!!
Ding dong
THD THD THD
COM-ING
WHO IS IT ?
CLACK
OH, AKIRA?
It's so late! Why are you here?
GOOD EVENING, DAIKI-SAN I HAVE SOMETHING I HOPE YOU CAN GIVE TO TAKAMI FOR ME
COULD YOU GIVE IT TO HER FOR ME?
Oh, OKAY, I WILL.
IT SOUNDS LIKE SASAKI'S HERE
YOU CAN GO VISIT WITH HIM FOR A WHILE

COME IN AND SIT FOR A WHILE, AKIRA
SHE'LL BE VERY HAPPY
NO, I DON'T WANT TO INTERRUPT HER WHILE SHE'S WORKING
SO THAT'S HOW IT IS? YOU CAN INTERRUPT HER.
Ha ha!
I'M LEAVING
OKAY
Click
NO!
I WANT TO STUDY!
HEY!
CLACK
FLINCH
Don't suddenly open the door!
HUH, HUH? WHAT! DON'T SAY THAT, WHEN I HAVE SOMETHING FOR YOU.
What?!
Click
LOOK, TN
AKIRA BROUGHT THIS.
You two...
.....RE VERY LOUD.
Ah...
SORRY MY BAD.
FLINCH=It's not the right time
Easier to say.

Go Takami!
MAPLE CAFE

I came in first, Shuu!!
1
History
In Sports Carnival 5 years old
OKAY.
STARE
AH
I WON'T EAT NOW!
I'LL EAT AFTER I FINISH WRITING!!
What I used call "the cheeky frog girl"
SOMETIMES YOU WOULD HAVE THAT EXPRESSION
HUH?
It's a huge one!!
PITTER PATTER
Croak
Frog--!!
That's so awe-some!!
Don't talk while you're eating
This cake is really good!
PITTER PATTER
Are you sure you're a girl?
SPLASH
PSHHH
Take this!
Water gun
Came to pick her up

?
WHA...?!
I WAS JUST TALKING TO MYSELF
KEEP ON WRITING
YES!!
PATS
---The Day of the Make-up Test---
S-BOOKS
Paperback
Textbooks

SASAKI
HEY!
...!
AHH...
SORRY, I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU ARE.
AH, BECAUSE IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE WE'VE SEEN EACH OTHER.
LAST TIME, WHEN YOU COMPETED, I COULDN'T COME.
OH?
I'M TAKAMI'S BROTHER.
BOSS
I'M SORRY ABOUT THAT.
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME!
I WAS OCCASIONALLY IN YOUR CARE.
...
AHH.

Question session
YOU
WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT HER?
HUH?
Were you born in this country?
MY DAD IS REALLY SLACK TOWARDS HOMEWORK AND TEST GRADES
HE ALLOWS HIS CHILDREN DO WHATEVER THEY WANT TO
Hmm
The dad who has made very few appearances
HUH?
IT'S

NATURALLY, WITH GROWING UP WITH ONLY BROTHERS, SHE GREW UP TO BE EXTREMELY ENERGETIC
WHEN MOTHER TOOK HER TO LEARN THE PIANO, HER ROUGHNESS NEVER CHANGED
I'M HOPING THAT SHE'S VERY OPEN AND BRIGHT, BUT
WHEN I THINK ABOUT THIS GOING ON,
I DON'T KNOW WHAT WILL HAPPEN SO, I
I WORRY ABOUT HER FUTURE
BUT AFTER RETURNING, I REALIZED THAT I'M VERY STRICT WITH HER
The first time they met
Waah
ARE YOU AND TAKAMI
GOING OUT?
I DON'T WANT YOU TO IGNORE HER
HUH?

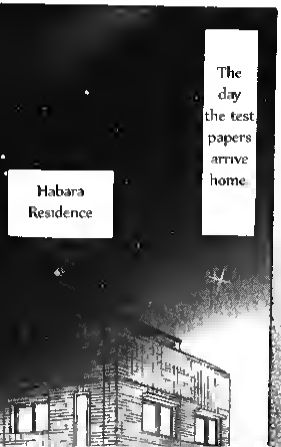
WE...
And I thought you guys were a couple!!
YOU'RE NOT?
IT DOESN'T COUNT AS GOING OUT,
BUT, I UMM
WHEN I'M WITH TAKAMI
WHEN I'M WITH HER, I'M ALWAYS HAPPY,
AND I FEEL VERY ENERGETIC
THAT
TAKAMI IS
ALSO, I FEEL THAT I CAN TRY MY BEST AT DOING ANYTHING WITH HER AROUND
Look at this! Let's go! It's this one! It's always sooo!!
You're dreaming! Some five times! Takami
First 5 customers to go home shop get free cake
MAPLE CAFE
New Open!

...
...THE ONE I LOVE WITH ALL MY HEART.
ACCORDING TO TAKAMI,

YOU'RE BOTH...
...WAITING FOR THE OTHER TO SHOW THEIR FEELINGS.

HM?
AH...
pat
AH
RUFFLE
RUFFLE
WHAT?
MY LITTLE SISTER IS VERY HARD TO FACE
GOOD LUCK!
Good-bye

He is no doubt
a good brother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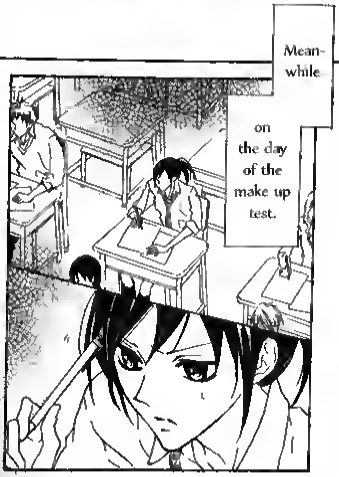
The day the test papers arrive home.


Mean-while
on the day of the make up test.

Even though I passed---
71
52
56
63
You have to make an 80 or higher on every subject
If you don't, your piano lessons will be stopped
DEAD
FLINCH
CLACK
YOU PRETTY MUCH PASSED YOUR MAKE-UP TESTS
.....
clack
FLAP

STANDS
SHU...
SHUU!
PIANO LESSONS
PLEASE, DON'T MAKE ME STOP TAKING THEM!
I CAN'T PROMISE YOU THAT I'LL GET AT LEAST 80 POINTS IN EVERY SUBJECT,
BUT, I WILL TRY HARD TO NOT GET POOR RESULTS!
SO

PAT
PI...
ANO
LES-SONS
YOU TRIED YOUR BEST.
RUFFLE RUFFLE
WHA
WHAT?!
CONSIDE-RING YOUR LEVEL, THIS IS PRETTY GOOD.
YOU DID WELL.
BU- BUT
PUTS DOWN
THAT
HOME-WORK
CLACK
OKAY
LET'S JUST DO THIS, AND THEN, WE'LL SEE

I'LL BE EXAMINING (EVERY ASPECT OF) YOUR PERFORMANCE
THANK
THANK YOU, SHUU!!
THUMK
ERK!
Hey.
Oh, sorry
Later
at Maple Café
NEXT TIME, REMEMBER TO STUDY HARD BEFORE THE TESTS
Y
YES

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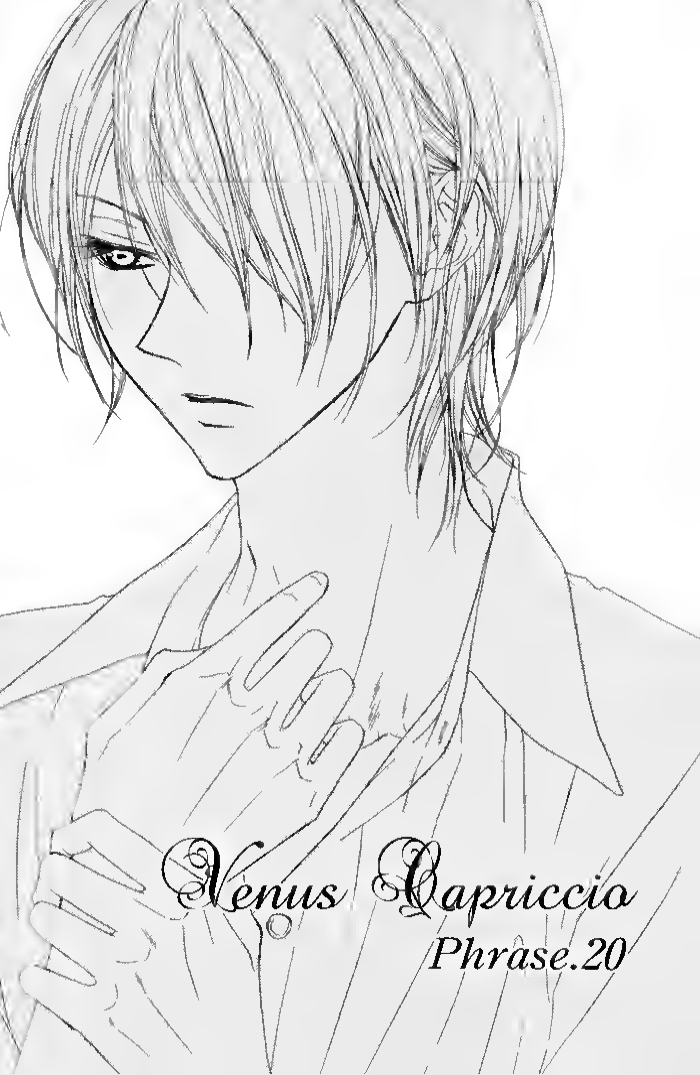

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Phrase.20

I THOUGHT I HAVE ALREADY REJECTED THAT IDEA.
FROM MY VIEW, WHAT'S SO GOOD ABOUT LIVING IN JAPAN?
YOU SHOULD COME LIVE WITH ME, AKIRA
She is Akira's mother's sister
Saaaa
HEY
MOVE OVER
In other words,
Sugar

...she's Akira's aunt
COME TO FRANCE
AND IN THE BEST ENVIRONMENT, I'LL RAISE YOU TO BECOME A FIRST CLASS PIANIST
Th-
THAT...
LEARNING PIANO IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY IN AN IDEAL ENVIRONMENT IS A MUST TO SUCCEED
TO BECOME A FIRST CLASS PIANIST, YOU HAVE TO EXPERIENCE OTHER COUNTRIES POPULAR CLASSICAL MUSIC
Shop Keeper
THIS IS NOT SUDDEN
HUH?
AKIRA WILL BE TROUBLED
EXCUSE ME, BUT, IF YOU SUDDENLY VISIT HERE TO TAKE AKIRA TO FRANCE,
AND WHO ARE YOU...?
AKIRA'S FRIEND?
I'M... WELL
When we were talking last he...she was just watching
Clop
SHE'S AKIRA'S GIRL-FRIEND,
SASAKI MITSUKO
SHI...
SHINO-BU-SENSEI!

HEY, YOU KNOW MY NAME?
YES, I DO
SASAKI MITSUKO-SAN, A PIANIST THAT...
GOT A HAND INJURY AT THE AGE OF 25, AND THEN, AFTER-WARDS,
YOU DEVOTED YOURSELF TO RAISE FIRST CLASS PIANISTS
ARE YOU IN JAPAN FOR ONE OF YOUR DISCIPLE'S PERFOR-MANCE?
ODA SHINOBU.
YOU REALLY SEEM TO KNOW A LOT
WHEN I WAS AT JAPAN'S COMPETI-TIONS, I WATCHED YOU PLAYED
Sort of knows her...
HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA
YOUR STRENGTH IS VERY GOOD, WHY ARE YOU A TEACHER?
I'M VERY GLAD YOU REMEMBER ME
I'M NOT EVEN THAT OUT-STANDING
YOU SAID SHE IS AKIRA'S GIRL-FRIEND?
Clomp
Clomp
THEN SHOULDN'T SHE BE...
...A LITTLE BIT MORE CONCERNED ABOUT AKIRA'S FUTURE?

SHIMOKITA
She has a point...
RIGHT?
She's right...
Learning piano in a foreign yet perfect environment,
...will benefit him in the future.
TAKA
DO YOU THINK?
...
AKIRA,
I have to consider Akira's future.
Akira's... future...?

I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE JAPAN
TO ME, THE MOST PERFECT ENVIRON-MENT...
...IS HERE.
IF YOU WANT TO BE SO STUB-BORN,
THEN PLEASE, IN YOUR MOST PER-FECT IDEAL ENVIRON-MENT,
PERFORM FOR ME IN SUCH A WAY THAT I WILL FEEL TOUCHED

Reaches
Click
Click
OH, YEAH
Click
Pats
NO
HAVE YOU PLAYED THAT BEFORE?
THEN, THAT'S PERFECT
CHOPIN'S HUMORESQUE NO 2,
SO? WILL YOU DO IT?
THAT'S AN UNREASONABLE REQUEST
!
Today is Friday
It's about a week
THE DEADLINE IS NEXT SATURDAY, WHEN I LEAVE JAPAN

FRANCE
...
I WILL PERFORM MY BEST, FOR YOU.
Click
Pats
Click
REALLY? THEN, I WILL LOOK FORWARD TO IT
Aurevoir, à bientot
See you again next time
SLAMS
HMM?
!
AKIRA, PLEASE, DON'T FORCE YOURSELF
ONE WEEK IS TOO SHORT...
NO, I WANT TO PLAY

ODA-SENSEI.
..TEACH ME FOR A WEEK,
PLEASE,
AOYAMA Piano School
OK.
.....
Akira went home first

CAN AKIRA REALLY DO IT..?
ODA-SENSEI SAID THOSE KINDS OF THINGS..
O...ODA-SENSEI,
THOSE THINGS THAT ARE CALLED HUMOR OR SOMETHING, RIGHT, AREN'T THEY HARD TO PLAY?
Has very little knowledge about piano
YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT.
OH! THEN, IT SHOULD BE NO PROB
IT'S A PIECE AKIRA CAN MANAGE
BUT, A DEADLINE OF ONE WEEK IS A LITTLE TOO TIGHT,
AND THE PIECE IS REALLY LONG, TOO
Even if he could play it, I'm not sure about what the result would be. so,
Plus, to play it complete in every aspect with feeling put into it will require a lot of effort
BUT, IT SHOULD BE ALL RIGHT!
WITH AKIRA'S STRENGTH, HE SHOULD BE ABLE TO EASILY PLAY IT, AND KICK HIS AUNT OUT OF JAPAN

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WOULDN'T YOU MISS HIM?
OF COURSE I THINK SO, BUT,
IF HE WERE TO LEAVE,
...
WHEN I DO SOMETHING, IT'S ARBITRARY
HEY UNTIL TODAY WHAT KIND OF TALK IS THAT?
IS THAT ALRIGHT?
YOU WERE SO ARBITRARY,
Clang
Vroom

I...
I WANT TO FORCE MYSELF!
Don't bother me!
YES, YES.
GRAB
MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE OF MY HAND INJURY,
BUT I FEEL MORE STRONGLY THAN BEFORE ABOUT GIFTED CHILDREN BEING BURIED.
CLENCH
CLENCH
LIFT
DON'T FORCE YOURSELF...
AKIRA PLAYED THE PIANO EVERYDAY AT MY SISTER'S HOUSE WITHOUT COMPLAINING
THAT'S THE REASON WHY HE'S DOING SO WELL.
AFTER MY SISTER DIED, I SAID NUMEROUS TIMES THAT I WOULD TAKE HIM IN,
BUT AKIRA HAD ALWAYS REFUSED THE OFFER.
BUT,
IF HE LISTENED TO REAL MUSIC, THEN HE COULD BECOME EVEN GREATER.
HE'S TOO TALENTED TO LET HIM STAY IN JAPAN.

5 days until the deadline.
Second Days Lesson
SASAKI RESIDENCE
TOO SLOW!
YOU HAVE TO PLAY FASTER
PLAY FASTER
YOU HAVE TO PLAY THE SOUND LOUDER
THAT'S BETTER.
!!

Pant
Pant
SLIPS
BLIAM
TSK
Pant
4 DAYS LEFT
3 DAYS LEFT
2 DAYS LEFT
PLEASE CONTINUE TEACHING ME

Last Day Before the Deadline
AOYAMA Piano School
BYE
Shinobu sensei
BYE
SEE YOU
Akira see you tonight
...
Feeling very awkward
Ah, OKAY
I'M I'M GOING HOME!
HUH?
Push
Push
WHAT! YOU GUYS SHOULD GO HOME TOGETHER!
I I HAVE SOME-THING SO I HAVE TO GO HOME ALONE!
Oh, AHH, OK
Yeah,
THAT'S BE-CAUSE HE HASN'T SLEPT.
AKIRA LOOKS REALLY TIRED.
Takumi's attitude is strange too
HE...
HM...
HE'LL BE FINE TOMOR-ROW?
ODA-SENSE!
Step

RUSTLE
FEELINGS...
Huh?
IT DEPENDS.
PERFORMING GOOD OR BAD
WILL DEPEND ON HIS FEELINGS ON THE DAY
TAKAMI
HMM?
TOMORROW,
YOU HAVE TO COME.
I don't know what to say.
Ah...
Not good.
OH, OKAY
HEY.
TAKAMI,
IF I WERE TO REALLY LEAVE JAPAN,

I'll be very lonely, if you leave.
That...
HUH?
I...
THAT...
...WHAT WOULD YOU THINK?
TO.
...OPTION WOULD BE FOR YOU TO GO TO FRANCE
FOR YOU,
THE BEST
...
Clench

DEFRIENDED
REALLY ...?
I'LL LEAVE FIRST
HUH
OH..
OH..

Akira...?
Tick
Tick
TIME'S UP.
WHAT KIND OF PERFORMANCE WILL YOU LET ME HEAR?
I DON'T KNOW
ODA-SENSEI, WHERE'S TAKAMI...?
UMM

PLEASE, WAIT FOR ME
A LITTLE LONGER
HADAKA RESIDENCE
Click
What am I doing...?
Why am I still here...?
But,
...would it be better if Akira were to stay in Japan?
Or would going to France be better?
I don't know

That's right...
Sigh.
But why would Akira...?
Why would he show such an emotion?
I don't plan on leaving Japan.
I thought I have already rejected that idea.
His aunt and I ...are only thinking about his future.
But, Akira...
Will you consider...
Akira's future?
I can't just hold onto this inconsistent feeling...
Why can't I just go and listen to his performance?
AHH
That's right...
Akira must feel the same, too.
If I consider Akira's future,
I think he'd learn better in France.

From the very beginning
To me, the most perfect environment...
...is here.
Gasp
Akira was certain where he wanted to stay.
STAND
I'VE ALREADY WAITED HALF AN HOUR,
SHOULDN'T IT BE ALMOST TIME TO START, AKIRA?
EVEN IF SHE CAME,
WOULD IT EVEN CHANGE THE SITUATION?
...
IT'S IMPORTANT TO ME.

YOU HAVE TALENT,
...SO NO MATTER HOW BADLY YOU PERFORM TODAY, I WON'T MIND
THIS GATHERING TODAY MEANS NOTHING
STOMP STOMP STOMP STOMP
AKIRA,
YOU WILL COME TO FRANCE WITH ME, SO THAT YOU CAN BECOME A FIRST CLASS PIANIST

Dart
I ALSO
LAST TIME, WHEN YOU MENTIONED AKIRA'S FUTURE,
UMM
Dart
...THOUGHT THAT AKIRA SHOULD GO WITH YOU
BUT,
...RIGHT NOW, THE CURRENT AKIRA
DOESN'T WANT TO LEAVE!
TAKAMI.

I'LL BE VERY LONELY
I'LL
IF YOU DID GO TO FRANCE,
ALSO, IF
Pant
AKIRA'S FEELINGS
TO ME, THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS
YOU CAME
Pant
Clink
OKAY.
I'LL START NOW
Sits

T/n: Fortissimo, a musical term for playing really loud

Rises
AUNT, I STILL
CAN'T ALLOW MYSELF TO LIVE WITH YOU
TO ME,
...THE BEST ENVIRON-MENT IS HERE,
RIGHT BY HER SIDE
How serious...
...wanted to take him elsewhere to advanced his skills.

PLAYING THE PIANO IN A PLACE LIKE THIS,
...WITH THESE PEOPLE, MEANS EVERYTHING TO ME.
And who would've also thought
...that they'd be able to see this kind of expression in his eyes.
REALLY?
If I took him to France now,
I didn't think that Aki could've played it so passionately.
In all honesty,
There were several points in which he had to really focus on while playing the piece.
I

...he would not have been able to play like that.
...to produce a sound that wonderful.
...
p-p. dum... p-p. dum...
Ah...so dissatisfying...
I lost to a girl like her
Steps
Steps
But...
Squeak
I WON'T GIVE UP ON YOU,
EVER.

...was Akira himself.

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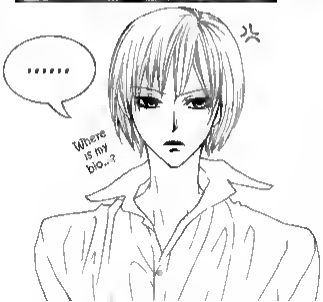

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Entschuldigung!
I'm Sorry
There's still about 2 hours until the performance
Hmm?
SWAP
Till
Text
20XX/XX/X 19 21
From Akira
To Takami
I'm playing the piano at Club Blue tonight at 8pm I'd like you to come and watch
Haku
YOU BETTER GO AND WATCH ME
I wonder what he's going to play tonight?
Alone
..What was that about?
A foreigner ?
I-
I'M SORRY..
I'D LIKE TO ASK..
EEK!!
I-I DON'T UNDERSTAND ENGLISH!!

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EH?
I... I WANT TO FIND... MY PASS-PORT
PLESE HELP ME LOOK
I... Lucy I LOST A PER-SON
EH?
WAIT
HOLD ON A SECOND
Deciphering
WHAT-
OH, I DIDN'T BRING IT!
HANKY, HANKY-
WHAT'S WRONG!?
I...
I'M SORRY! ALL I HAVE RIGHT NOW IS THIS!
A business card someone gave her
ARE YOU OKAY?
30 minutes later
UGH-----..!

Lost his passport, when he was looking for somebody
I'LL LOOK THAT WAY!!
YOU LOOK THIS WAY!
ALRIGHT! LET'S SPLIT UP AND SEARCH FOR IT!
Oh Jo!
It seems that this foreigner
MAYBE WE JUST MISSED IT...
So it's like that
YES
SO YOU WERE WALKING ON THIS ROAD JUST NOW?
After 15 Minutes of Looking
AH——
!
FALL
When he was getting out his map!!
IT'S GREAT THAT WE FOUND IT!
Why was it in here?
IS THIS IT?!
I FOUND IT!
HEY!
Oh!!

Danke!!
Thanks!!
OKAY!
NOW I'VE GOT TO GO!
DON'T LOSE IT AGAIN, OKAY?
GLOMP
WHAT?
EH? 'DANKE'?! AH, AHHH,
YOU'RE GERMAN?
AH, EH?
O-OH
YOU'RE MY LUCKY ANGEL!
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO WOULD HELP ME LOOK!
I'M SO HAPPY!
THANKS! THANKS SO MUCH!
Ha ha ha
DON'T CRY!
PAT
PAT
WHENEVER OTHERS ARE IN TROUBLE, WE HAVE TO HELP THEM OUT.
I WOULDN'T GO SO FAR AS CALLING ME A 'LUCKY ANGEL'

...Ja.
Yes
RIGHT?
YOU FOUND YOUR PASSPORT, THAT'S REALLY GREAT,
MY NAME IS, JULIAN
RUB RUB
AH
MY NAME IS TAKAMI!
OH, JULIAN! THAT'S A GREAT NAME!
TAKAMI
THAT'S RIGHT!
TAKAMI,
I WANT TO REPAY YOU
EH? YOU DON'T NEED TO!

BEEP
BEEP
Staff room
CLICK
I'LL TREAT YOU TO SOMETHING.
Oh!
O...OKAY!
I GOT IT!
TAKAMI!
Sudou Copperon
WAA
AH
H...HOLD ON A SECOND!
Oh no not the puppy-dog face...
I want to repay you...
AKIRA, COME LOOK AT HOW THE PIANO'S SET FOR ME
ALL RIGHT, I'LL GO AND SEE
Gnash...
SLAM
...?
What's with her?
GYA HA HA HA!
From: Takami
Untitled
I'm going to be an hour late!
Do your best!
END

I WILL, TAKAMI
Do your best!
—END—
THERE!
AH! LOOK, SUSHI!
SUSHI-GO-ROUND
JAPANESE MAGURO SUSHI!
Ach so——!
So it's like that, this is...
ROUND AND ROUND...?
IT GOES ROUND AND ROUND! CONVEYOR BELT SUSHI, YOU KNOW?

Verzeihung!
SORRY.
I FORGOT ABOUT IT
SIZZLE
I JUST LIKE MY HANDS TO BE WARM.
TAP
SIZZLE
Oh!
JULIAN, IT'S HARD TO USE CHOPSTICKS WITH GLOVES ON
AH,
LET'S EAT!
Huh?
This is hard.

Such pale, fine hands...
Wah!
Wah... Wah... So long...
Maybe even longer than Akira's hands...
JU... JULIAN
YOU...
YOU'VE SUCH BEAUTIFUL HANDS.
Oh! Danke schön!
Oh! Thank you very much!
THESE ARE MY MOST IMPORTANT TREASURE!
THEY ARE MY LIFE!

..IMPOR-
TANT TREA-
SURE??
JU
I
I PLAY
THE
PIANO
EH---?

JULIAN, YOU PLAY THE PIANO!?
THAT'S SO COOL!
YES, I CAN PLAY
I WANT TO HEAR YOU PLAY!!
I BET YOU'RE REALLY GOOD!!
AH! I SHOULD ALSO MENTION
THAT I ALSO PLAY THE PIANO!
JUST LIKE YOU!
OH! TAKAMI, YOU PLAY TOO!?
YEAH! I DO!
A GIRL LIKE YOU,
A YAMATO BEAUTY, PLAYING THE PIANO...
DEFINI-TELY...

...VERY ELEGANT...
EH?

Ack,
calm down
ELE-GANT,
TAKAM!,
ELEGANT
Just now,
entirely uncon-scIously
Ju..
I CAN'T PLAY THE KIND OF MUSIC THAT CAN BE CON-SIDERED "ELEGANT"
UH NO,
Really?
R...
Ja
What are you?
Ah your expre cabn't back to normal
Julian, he
...doesn't have a...
...inferior, pale,
YOUR JAPANESE IS PRETTY GOOD
JULIAN,
Let's stop talking about your stuff
ISN'T IT TRUE?
TAKAM IS ELE-GANT
Ah!
LET'S EAT SUSHI!
SUSHI!! EAT YOUR SUSHI!!
STOP TALK-ING ABOUT IT!
WAAAH!!

...delicate, or pretty face.
AH----
THAT WAS TASTY! THANKS, JULIAN!
Bitte schon!
Don't mention it!

I HATE TO DO THIS,
BUT I REALLY NEED TO LEAVE
TAKA-MI_
REALLY, THANK YOU, JULIAN!
BE SAFE!
TAP
GLO
!?
TAKAMI CAN'T LEAVE!
J-JULIAN, WHAT?
PLEASE BE MY FRIEND!
AH, FRIENDS?
YOU'RE REALLY FUN TO BE WITH,
TAKAMI PLEASE_
UMPH!
MP!

I can't breathe
PLEASE BE FRIENDS WITH ME!
OK!?
OK!
Umm..
OK!
RIGHT! I GET IT!
ALL
I'm dying.
HMM..
THANK YOU,
I'M REALLY HAPPY
TO GET KNOW YOU, TOO.
JULIAN, MY FRIEND.

Meine Freundin!
My Friend!
Friend!
FRIEND!
OUCH!
JULIAN, YOU'RE PRETTY STRONG!
TAKAMI
PLAY THE PIANO! YAMATO BEAUTY!!
O-DON'T SAY THAT...
SQUEEZE
'Piano.'
...AH

THAT'S RIGHT!
MY FRIEND'S A PIANIST!
DO YOU WANT TO GO, JULIAN?
HE'S AT A CLUB PLAYING THE PIANO, RIGHT NOW
PIANO?
IT'S MUSIC THAT'S EVEN MORE ELEGANT THAN I COULD EVER PLAY!!
LISTEN TO SOME 'ELEGANT' PIANO?
DO YOU WANT TO GO
THAT'S RIGHT JULIAN!
..Oh
TAKAMI'S
PIANIST FRIEND..?
I
WANT TO
HEAR HIM PLAY!

Clubblue
JAZZ & SOUL
LIVE
CREAK
OH!
Julian, he...
ALRIGHT! LET'S GO!
oh—!
WE CAN STILL HEAR HIM PLAY!
THIS IS AWESOME, JULIAN
HE'S STILL PLAYING
When we were talking about piano,
JULIAN, LET'S FIND A TABLE
ALL RIGHT
GO AHEAD AND SEAT YOURSELVES
NO, WE'RE NOT LIKE THAT.
Gouch-n!!
WHO IS HE? YOU DOING ANYTHING BAD?
WELCOME, TAKAMI!

...his expression changed.
He definitely...
HEY!
I SHOULD MENTION, HIS PLAYING IS EXCELLENT!
HE'S MY...
#1 FAVORITE PIANO PLAYER!
...should become friends with Akira.

TAKAMI
YOUR FRIEND.
WHAT'S HIS NAME?
OH, RIGHT! I HAVEN'T TOLD YOU HIS NAME YET
HIS NAME IS
AKIRA
THAT'S RIGHT! HE CAN [illegible] GERMAN!
He studied German.
HE'S HALF-EURO-PEAN!

I found him...
CLAP
AKIRA! GREAT JOB!
CLAP
WAH
THANK YOU, EVERY-ONE
CLAP
CLAP
Wah!
How pretty!
CLAP
CLAP
TAKA...
Mi
CLAP
CLAP
AKIRA! YOU SOUND-ED AWE-SOME!

I ONLY HEARD THE LAST SONG
HEY SORRY,
HEY
..HEY...
TAKAMI TURNED OUT TO BE
MY LUCKY ANGEL
HM?
HE'S..
..TA-KAMI,
WHO IS THIS?
It's deja-vu

KISS
Danke.
BOTH MY PASSPORT AND THE PERSON I WANTED FOUND.
I ONLY FOUND THEM
I ONLY FOUND THEM BECAUSE TAKAMI WAS THERE
CHATTER
EH?
WHAT?
KYAA...!
WHAT IS GOING ON?

AKIRA?
THE PERSON YOU WERE LOOKING FOR WAS
EH?
UUU--?
.....
WHO EXACTLY ARE YOU?

CERTAINLY, SASAKI AKIRA
I AM JULIAN CLEMENT, FROM GERMANY.
I WANT TO STUDY PIANO WITH YOUR FATHER, VALANCE KLAUS.
...!
TODAY,
I CAME TO HEAR YOUR PIANO.

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HUH?
It's true?! are you referring to the RECRUITMENT ADS that MIDNIGHT SCANS has PUT UP?
They are looking for— Japanese & Chinese translators'
But but President!
They expect a bloody miracle! Here, help them
Join them now!! Help them with their smut
help them review these forms

Venus Capriccio

Phrase.22

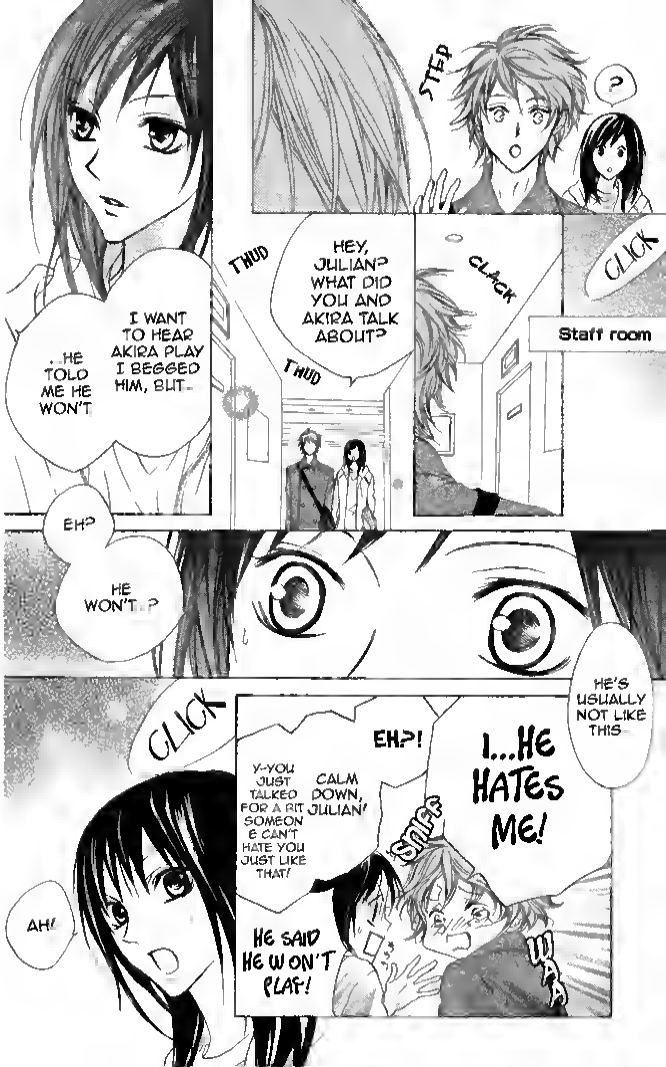
I came
to hear
you play.

A kiss. That's how it started.
MURMUR
HE KISSED HER?
MURMUR
EH...?
YEAH!
JU-
JULIAN,
WHAT DID.

I came to study piano with your father Franz Klaus.
...YOU JUST SAY?
MURMUR
MURMUR
MY FATHER'S PUPIL-----...

HU
I HEARD THE ENDING OF YOUR PIECE, AKIRA SASAKI...
HEY!
YOU CONVEYED SUCH A SOLEMN FEELING THROUGH YOUR MUSIC!!
WHY DID YOU COME TO JAPAN?
IT'S LIKE I SAW THROUGH TO YOUR SOUL!!
GS
—COULD YOU PLEASE STAND A LITTLE FARTHER AWAY?
OH
AKIRA SASAKI, I HAVE SOMETHING I WANT TO ASK YOU
I HOPE YOU'LL PLAY A SONG FOR ME ANY SONG IS FINE
OH
SO IT WAS AKIRA THAT JULIAN WAS LOOKING FOR
WHY DOES JULIAN KNOW ABOUT AKIRA?
Huh?
Akira doesn't know about Julian right?

I WANT TO HEAR YOU PLAY
STEP
I REFUSE
STEP
JUST ONE SONG, PLEASE!
I'M SORRY, YOU HAVE TO LEAVE
STEP
HEY... WHAT ARE YOU TWO TALKING ABOUT?
...IN FRONT OF SOMEONE WHO'S RELATED TO HIM
AKIRA SASAKI, YOUR PLAYING
I DON'T WANT TO PLAY.


STEP
?
CLICK
Staff room
CLACK
THUD
HEY, JULIAN? WHAT DID YOU AND AKIRA TALK ABOUT?
THUD
I WANT TO HEAR AKIRA PLAY I BEGGED HIM, BUT-
..HE TOLD ME HE WON'T
EH?
HE WON'T..?
HE'S USUALLY NOT LIKE THIS-
CLICK
EH?!
I...HE HATES ME!
Y-YOU JUST TALKED FOR A BIT SOMEON E CAN'T HATE YOU JUST LIKE THAT!
CALM DOWN, JULIAN!
SNIF
HE SAID HE W ON'T PLAY!
AH!

Fourth among the brothers.

Habara Daiki (18)

Height 177cm

SMILE
AKIRA, CAN'T YOU PLAY JUST ONE SONG?
JULIAN SAID HE REALLY WANTS TO HEAR YOU PLAY...
TAP
TAP
I'M SORRY, TAKAMI.
I'M A LITTLE TIRED TODAY I DON'T REALLY FEEL LIKE PLAYING
SORRY, I'M GOING TO GO REST NOW
EH?
AH!

OH---
YOU'LL SEE ME SOON?
CLACK.
...
I HAVE TO GO NOW
CREAK
THANKS, TAKAMI
I'LL SEE YOU SOON!
Thump thump
ARE THEY LOVE RIVALS?
TAKAMI ARE YOU UP TO SOMETHING FISHY?
NO WAY!
What just happened?
The girl at the counter. Nakayama (Age unknown)
Ah!
HI, TAKAMI!
YOU HAVE A GUEST.
CLICK CLACK
EH?
CREAK
HI EVERY-BODY
The atmosphere between those two
-A week later-
AOYAMA PIANO CLASSES

Julian?!
COVERS
RAT TLE
!
A guest
Eh?
TAKAMI!
HOW MANY PEOPLE, SIR?!
Ju-
I MISSED YOU SO MUCH!!
I'M JULIAN.
I THOUGHT ABOUT HOW I CAN GET TO HEAR YOU PLAY
HOW I SHOULD GO ABOUT IT------!!
YOU'RE REALLY PERSISTENT
ABOUT AKIRA'S PIANO PLAYING
I THOUGHT A LOT
J-Julian?
JULIAN, WHY ARE YOU HERE?
It's so great to be hanging with you!!

EH?
JULIAN, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
HM...
YEAH, SURE
MAY I?
MISS NAKA-YAMA,
HEY
CLUNK
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO
BUT, NO MATTER WHAT, I STILL WON'T PLAY
—IN FRONT OF SOMEONE WHO'S RELATED TO MY FATHER

YOU
YOU WILL PLAY
FLINCH
YOU WON'T PLAY, RIGHT..?
YOU ONLY NEED TO BE---
...A PIANIST.
...JU-LIAN...?

This song!
SHUCK
JUL-
...Is...
BEETH-OVEN'S
PIANO SONATA NO 23, OP. 57,
APPASS-IONATA, FIRST MOVE-MENT
PRO-
PROF-ESSOR SHINO-ZU...
CLACK
I HEARD SOME VERY UNUSUAL MUSIC, SO I CAME TO TAKE A LOOK
[And you didn't come to class.]

CLICK
HE'S JULIAN CLEMENT, TAKAMI?
EH?
HOW DID YOU?
EH? YOU DON'T KNOW?
Aren't we Friends?
UH, NO, WE ONLY MET LAST WEEK I'M STILL NOT VERY FAMILIAR WITH HIM
Aren't today's only my second time meeting him.
Ha ha!
WOW!
YOU REALLY ARE COINCIDENTAL FRIENDS
EH?
WHY WOULD YOU SAY THAT?
Hmm.
I JUST READ ABOUT HIM IN A MAGAZINE
HE'S JULIAN CLEMENT. HE'S 17.
Thump! Thump!
EH?
No.
way!
IN JAPAN, HE'S NOT VERY WELL-KNOWN
BUT, HE'S RECEIVED FIRST PLACE IN QUITE A FEW INTERNATIONAL PIANO COMPETITIONS
EH?

It's different from...
...Akira's gentle timbre,
...GENIUS PIANIST.
HE'S BEEN PLAYING IN ORCHESTRAS EVER SINCE HE WAS YOUNG. YOU COULD CALL HIM A CHILD PRODIGY
HE IS THE GERMAN
and so daring.
...or a thunderstorm.
It's like the fury of a tornado.

Passion without confusion or loneliness.
Julian
took that one room
yet Julian's concentration never once faltered
The performance lasted about ten minutes

...and turned it into a concert hall.
WAA
SHIVER
CLENCH
SUCKU
AH
SIGH
Eh?

CLAP
CLAP
CLAP
CLAP
EVERYONE CAME TO CHECK IT OUT
EVEN IF THEY HAD CLASS
Even people from the street came here.
This couldn't have been better!
THANK YOU, EVERYONE
WAH
CLAP
CLAP
WAAAH
Fantastic!
THAT WAS AWE-SOME!
EVEN THIS HASN'T TEMPTED YOU ENOUGH TO PLAY----?
AKIRA SASAKI...
WAAH
CLAP
CLAP

ARE YOU STILL NOT WILLING TO PLAY?!
PUSH
NA-
KA-
MISS NAKAYAMA
YEAH?
CLAP
CLAP
PLEA-
SE
ALLOW ME TO LEAVE FOR TODAY
EH? WHAT'S UP, AKIRA?
AKIRA.
THIS PERFORMANCE...
IT WAS MY CHALLENGE TO YOU.
IF YOU'RE A REAL PIANIST,
YOU SHOULD ANSWER IT-----

YET, IN FRONT OF ME, YOU'RE STILL NOT WILLING...
YOU WON'T PLAY IN FRONT OF SOMEONE RELATED TO YOUR FATHER...?
ISN'T THIS SOMETHING THAT ONLY CONCERNS YOUR FATHER?
PERHAPS BETWEEN YOU AND PROFESSOR KLAUS THERE IS SOME KIND OF-----
THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU!

MURMUR
FLINCH
.....
AKIRA...?
---------...
IN JAPANESE, PEOPLE LIKE YOU ARE CALLED...

...COWARDS.
ISN'T THAT RIGHT?
SLAM!
AKIRA
MURMUR
MURMUR
I DON'T UNDERSTAND.
AKIRA SEMPAI
WHAT'S UP WITH HIM?
WHAT LANE-LIKE WERE THEY SOS-IG NAI JUST NOW?
IT'S JUST.
RUSTLE
IT'S THE FIRST TIME I SAW AKIRA-SENPAI LIKE THAT
I WANT TO GET OUT OF HERE
IT FRIGHTENED EVERYBODY

JULIAN.
TAKA——
WHAT DID YOU MEAN BY COWARD?
HOW CAN YOU SAY AKIRA IS A COWARD, JULIAN?
TAKAMI, I...
IT SEEMS LIKE—
...YOU JUST CAME HERE TO HURT AKIRA.
I'D NEVER FORGIVE YOU, IF THAT'S THE CASE

I MUST HEAR IT
AKIRA'S PLAYING
I KNOW THAT. BUT, WHY DID YOU SAY HE'S---
TAKAMI
I WANT TO HEAR AKIRA PLAY THE PIANO
THAT'S WHY I CAME TO JAPAN

JULI-
AKIRA IS RUNNING AWAY!
RUNNING AWAY FROM THE PIANO
---AND FROM HIS FATHER AS WELL---
AND--
I'VE BEEN DISAPPO-INTED

Giv
es
SQUEEZE.
STEP
STEP
EH?
WHA—WHAT?
Running away
WHAT? THAT LAST SENT-ENCE—
WHAT DID YOU SAY?
?
—YOUR AND AKIRA'S FRIEND.
I REALLY WANT TO BE
REALLY
I'M VERY SORRY
CLICK
GOODBYE
SASAKI

CREAK
STEP
Appassio-
nata----...
AKIRA
FLINCH
WHAT DID JULIAN SAY TO YOU?

THERE'S SOME-THING
I HAVEN'T
CLENCH
TOLD YOU
---- MY-
MY FATHER...
...ABANDONED ME AND MY MOTHER.

Eh?
THE APPRENTICE OF THAT MAN IS
HIM
THAT GUY JULIAN CLEMENT IS
THAT MAN'S
PUPIL
I'VE NEVER
THOUGHT OF THAT MAN AS MY FATHER
...
IT'S NOT FAIR!
CRYING

..I CAN'T PLAY THAT KIND OF MUSIC!
I...
SUCH A DIFFICULT PIECE
TO SUDDENLY PLAY
BA
M
GRA
B
JULIAN LEFT THESE IN THE PIANO CLASSROOM
PROFESSOR SHINOBU AND I TOOK A LOOK AT THEM
THEY'RE FOR HIS FINAL
SOLO PERFORMANCE
Julian Clement
Piano Concerto

Akira definitely...
BEFORE HE LEAVES, PRACTICE A LOT!
co-ward
I've been disappointed
JUST PLAY IN YOUR STYLE.
...isn't a coward.
DON'T TRY TO PLAY LIKE JULIAN!
LET HIM HEAR...
...YOUR AWESOME PIANO!

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SPECIAL THANKS

We are nearing the end of book and looking back at this,
It was a long journey, It's lucky that we're in Volume 4,
so we actually have a lot of time to start working on Volume 5,
despite the number of editors,
but I still think we can make it.

After our main project Venus Capriccio is completed,
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I know I will be definitely be buying them

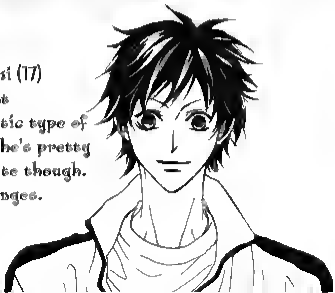
On another note, we hope that we will receive more responses from leechers
to come to our aid,
although we do hope those who wants to try our Japanese translator positions
do not run telling that they can translate when the only sentence they understand
which is "Watashi wa kawaii neko desa—ngaaa"

LOL that was so FUNNY when I heard that from my translator. XDD

We wish to thank everyone who was involved on the series especially the leecher who has retal patient enough to withhold the hounds on our doors xD

Venus Capriccio
Phrase.23

Fourth Son Habara Daiki (17)
-High School Student
-He comes across as a dramatic type of guy, but I sometimes feel that he's pretty pathetic - he's very considerate though.
His hairstyle always changes.



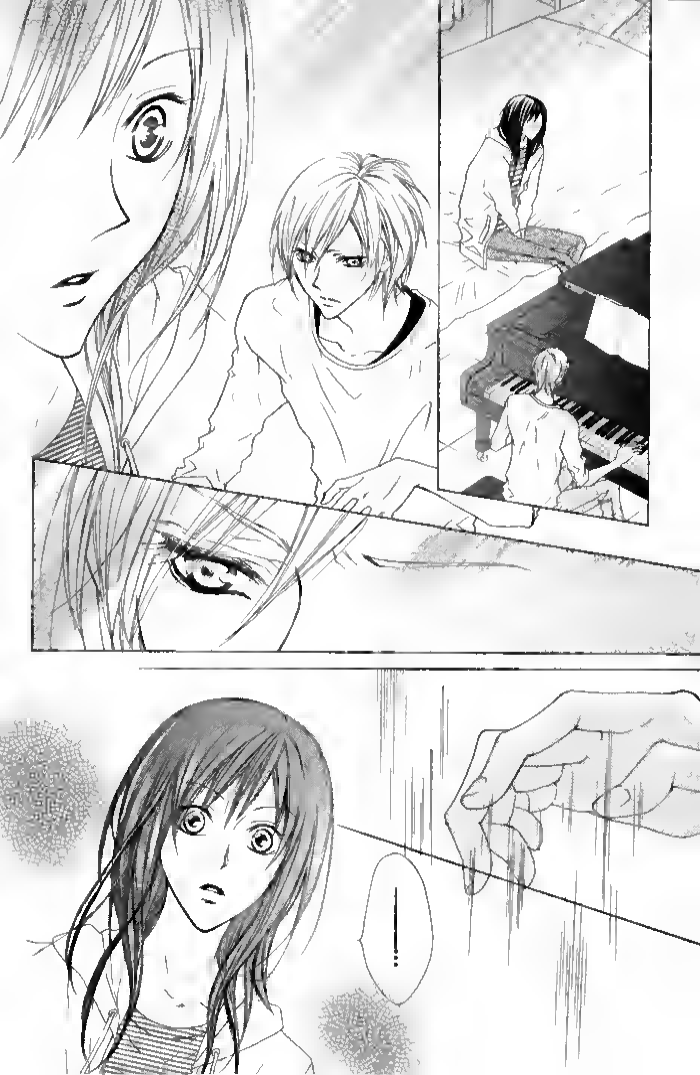
Ever since that day, Akira has been...
Ah
S-SORRY! I INTERRUPTED YOU
CREAK
WOAH!
NO, IT'S FINE
Ah!
LIM— RIGHT!
Tonight's dinner is ginger pork!
Giggles
TH-THANKS
...working himself to the bone, practicing.
I'M GOING TO PLAY THIS WHOLE PART, DO YOU WANT TO LISTEN?
OKAY!
Two days ago——
LET HIM HEAR IT!

YOUR BEST EFFORT AT PLAYING PIANO!
DID YOU JUST SAY YOU WERE "UNSATISFIED"?
That man's disciple...
...can play such a difficult piece.
I'M ALSO...
...NOT SATISFIED.
HE DOESN'T KNOW YOU, HE HASN'T EVEN HEARD YOU PLAY...
AND YET HE CALLS YOU A "COWARD"...

IS REALLY GREAT...
...I'M NOT SATISFIED.
I WANT TO MAKE HIM SEE YOU IN A NEW LIGHT
MAKE HIM UNDER-STAND THAT YOUR PLAYING
THANK YOU...
I...

..OH.
I'LL TRY
OH.
ABOUT YOUR FATHER..
YOUR-

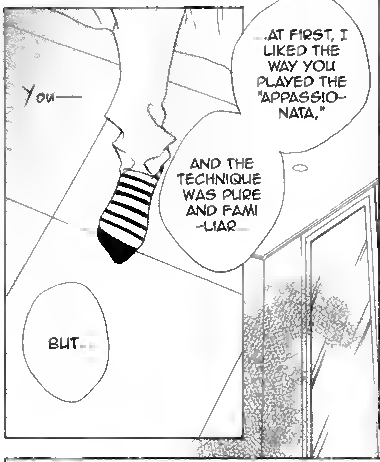
He abandoned me and my mother
YOU CAN ALWAYS TELL ME
WHATEVER YOU WANT TO SAY
I'M SORRY
I DIDN'T KNOW ANY-THING,
I JUST WANTED TO INTRODUCE YOU TO HIM, SO THAT YOU COULD GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT

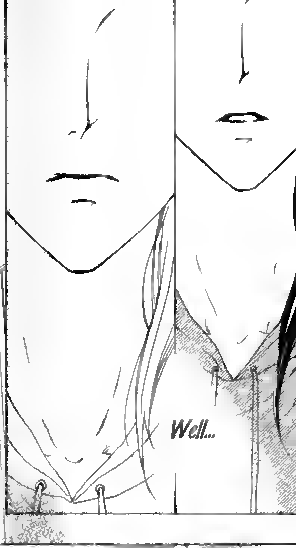


Am I just being overly sensitive...?
HUH?
NO WAY!
I LIKED IT!
I'M SORRY..., PLAYING LIKE THIS ISN'T GOOD ENOUGH...
THIS ISN'T WORKING...
LIKED IT...
YEAH!
I LIKED IT ALOT!

Akira...?
REALLY...?
10 days until Julian's concert
Aaah...
...Akira...!

He really is...
TAKAMI
...
CAN I ASK YOU SOME-THING?
HM?
DO YOU THINK JULIAN WILL ACCEPT THIS KIND OF PERFOR-MANCE?
...BUT,
YOU SAID YOU LIKED MY PLAYING.
...


...AT FIRST, I LIKED THE WAY YOU PLAYED THE "APPASSIO-NATA."
AND THE TECHNIQUE WAS PURE AND FAMI -LIAR
You——
BUT...


Well...

heard it too?
...I COULDN'T FEEL THE PASSION.

...Eh?
TAKAMI, I
GLUNK
--STILL HAVE TEN DAYS LEFT I WOULD LIKE TO PRACTICE BY MYSELF
BY YOUR-SELF

I'LL FIND MY PASSION.

ALRIGHT.
Click
I was dependent on her before.

I was dependent on her, and so she no longer felt that way.
I really like... ...your piano.
Back then, If she was willing to listen, that would've been enough.
But that isn't good enough now.
I want to get to the next Level.

Julian Clement...
The current dependent me
...that fiery, raging, burning...
has no way to bring out
even more,
More,
... passion.
vehemence and anger!

I'll find my passion.
"Coward!"
So he won't ever call me that again.

I'm sorry, I didn't know anything.
And...
...I'm not satisfied!
I just wanted to introduce you to him, so that you could get to know each other.

BLOW
DAZE
Two days later...
OYAMA
Piano Classes
AOY
Piano
AKIRA'S PIANO CLASS IS OFF TODAY,
SO HOW'S IT GOING? IS PRACTICE STILL ALRIGHT?
I'm starting to practice piano
STANDING UNDERNEATH THE A/C AND PULLING AT YOUR CHEEKS?
WHAT DO YOU THINK ARE YOU DOING?
BLOW
I'M THINKING

HE SAID THAT HE WANTS TO PRACTICE BY HIMSELF
WOW, THAT'S HARSH
IT'S THE FIRST TIME AKIRA TRIED TO KEEP SOME DISTANCE BETWEEN US.
I DIDN'T KNOW IF IT'S GOOD OR
...WHETHER IT'S BAD, BECAUSE I PRESSURED HIM TO PLAY.
HE
HATES BEING CONTROLLED THAT MUCH?

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YOU'RE BEING VERY CONSIDERATE TODAY.
crea
?
I've got tickets!
IT'S BECAUSE I'M JUMPING FOR JOY!
HM?
Risked his life to find someone he knew and begged him to let him buy some
I didn't think...
...YOUR CHILDHOOD FRIEND
BELIEVE IN HIM, AND TRY TO WAIT FOR HIM
Professor Shinobu's advice...
I should believe him
...THANKS.

-The Day of the Concert-
Her mom dressed her
She's slouching
Shake
Shake
LONG TIME NO SEE!
What.. What kind of.. ..attitude should I use?
I...
I can't...
YOU READY?
What kind of expression is that...
Opens
Glance
UH, TAKAMI?
Akira's passion
...
I will find my passion.

Ba thump
He's so different from normal
Huh...?
Ka click
YOU CAME TO FIND ME
Thanks.
I WAS ABOUT TO GO GET YOU THOUGH
Your clothes are cute
UMM,
R-REALLY?
Thanks!
Um
OH AH AHAHA
WHAT ARE YOU SO FLUSTERED ABOUT?
AH A
ABOUT THAT
It seems as if...
I don't need to worry...
WHAT KIND OF RESULTS DID PRACTICE BRING...?
Now,

DID YOU GET TALLER?
YOU...
CAN A PERSON EVEN GET TALLER IN A WEEK?
OH... BUT...
...YOU'LL KNOW IT WHEN YOU HEAR IT.
Huh?
That's weird...?
Its white isn't it?
OH!
RIGHT.
AL-RIGHT, THIS ONE
Rustle Rustle
HERE
HMM?
WHAT'S THIS?

AND YOUR FINGERS RELAXED...
THIS IS FOR KEEPING YOUR HANDS WARM,
RUSTLE
...THANK YOU.
puts on
Oh! He's getting his old passion back
I WANT TO TALK WITH YOU
TAKAMI
BEFORE, I NOTICED THAT IF YOU WERE WILLING TO HEAR ME PLAY PIANO, I WAS SATISFIED
OH...?

A PART OF THIS, I DID FOR MYSELF.
BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY,
I WAS RIDICULED BY HIM-
HE CALLED ME A "COWARD."
NEITHER OF US WERE SATISFIED WITH HIS TAUNTING.
BUT,
AFTER I HEARD JULIAN PLAY, I REALIZED.
THAT, FOR THE FIRST TIME, I WANTED TO PROGRESS FURTHER

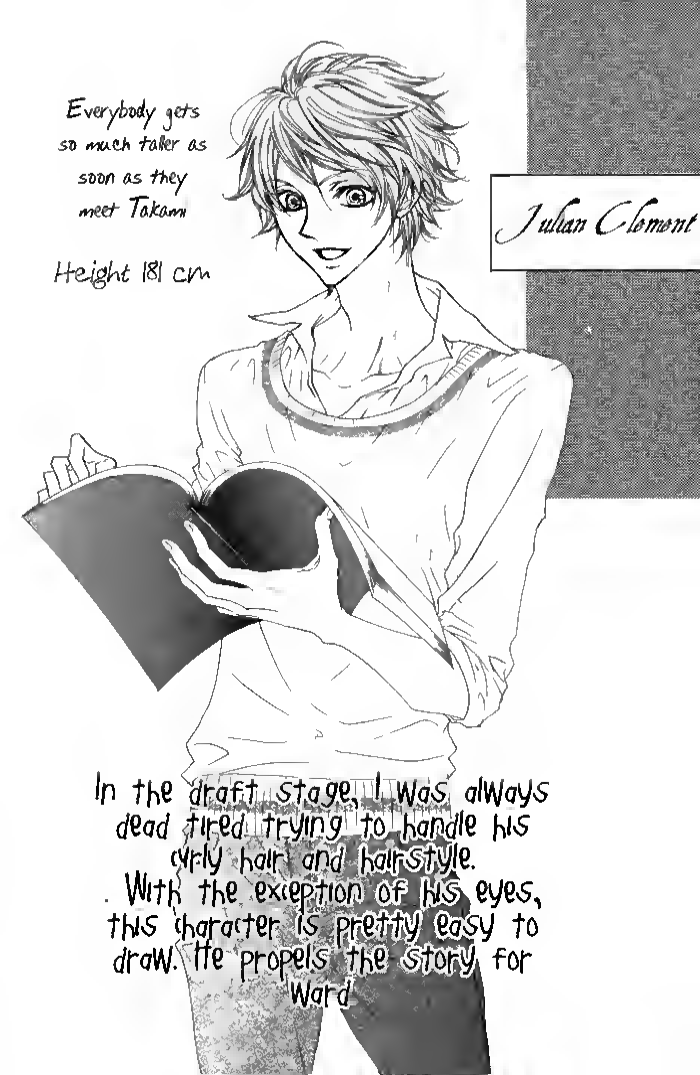
We hadn't...
FEEL "UNSATISFIED."
...seen each other for a week.
AND SO...
But from the directness of his gaze
..Obviously, it was only for a few short days and nothing more.
I DON'T EVER WANT TO MAKE YOU .
FOR MY SAKE...
from his firm hands,
I ALSO
DON'T WANT TO BE FULFILLED BY JUST LETTING YOU LISTEN
I'M GOING TO WORK HARD...
...SO THAT, AT ANY TIME, I'LL BE ABLE TO PUT FORTH,
"MY BEST PERFORMANCE"
I can feel it.

What he was missing before,
LET'S GO, TAKAMI.
was this intense strength.

OMAKE PAGES

Omake Manga REPLACE PART 4

HUH?
WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY? TAKAMI
WAIT
GOOD-BYE
TAKA...
Takami...
...what you just said.
I CAN'T JUST
ALWAYS HELP YOU WITH YOUR HOME-WORK.
What did you mean...?
To be continued...


Everybody gets so much taller as soon as they meet Takami
Height 181 cm
Julian Clement
In the draft stage, I was always dead tired trying to handle his curly hair and hairstyle.
With the exception of his eyes, this character is pretty easy to draw. He propels the story for Ward.